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House Resolution No. 2503

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Paul J. Wilmes of Maryville attained considerable distinction as the Area One Director for Missouri USDA Rural Development, a leadership position which he drew to a close on April 1, 2005, in retirement; and

Whereas, Paul Wilmes brought to his work as Area One Director a wealth of knowledge and experience which he had obtained from earlier employment as a Local Manager in Maryville and then as an Area Farm Program Specialist for what was then known as Farmers Home Administration; and

Whereas, involved in Rural Development for more than twenty-seven years, Paul Wilmes participated in the planning, marketing, development, and implementation of USDA rural housing, business, community, and infrastructure loans and grants in northwest Missouri; supervised Rural Development area and local offices in the 27-county northwest Missouri region; and was responsible for Rural Development guaranteed programs and for the delivery of technical assistance in rural areas; and

Whereas, Paul Wilmes is the beloved husband of Robin, loving father of Meredith and Kyle, and devoted son of Francis and Clara Wilmes:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar personal and professional accomplishments garnered by Paul Wilmes during nearly three decades with Missouri USDA Rural Development and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Paul J. Wilmes of Maryville, Missouri.

Offered by	
·	Representative Brad Lager
	District No. 4
Ninety-third certify that	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, d General Assembly, First Regular Session, do the above is a true and correct copy of House No. 2503, adopted April 25, 2005.
Rod Jetton.	Speaker